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### **WESTON UNIVERSITY**

Class #2- BSO Fire Rescue Day







On November 18th, the City's Weston University program students participated in a fun but very educational day with the men and women of Broward Sheriff's Office Fire Rescue and Emergency Services at Weston Fire Station 81. Students got a taste of how demanding, physically taxing and complex the fire services really are. They were surprised to find that the complete fire gear weighs 80 pounds, and that firefighters are continually utilizing complex math and science during the course of their job.

Students were exposed not only to the wide range of equipment and tactics, but also life safety education, equipment costs, budgeting and staffing considerations. With the Fire and EMS professionals alongside, the students climbed aboard the ladder truck – viewing Weston from 100' above, experienced the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) process and "rescued" people from a vehicle utilizing the jaws-of-life.







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# Weston University Class #2 – BSO Fire Rescue Day























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#### CITY OF WESTON HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

#### Wednesday, November 25, 2015 - Day Before Thanksgiving

All City administrative offices will close at 3:00 p.m. All City parks will be open. There will be regularly scheduled garbage collection.

### Thursday, November 26, 2015 - Thanksgiving Day

All City administrative offices <u>will be closed</u> in observance of Thanksgiving Day. All City parks will close at 6PM. There will be regularly scheduled garbage collection.

### Friday, November 27, 2015 - Thanksgiving Day

All City administrative offices <u>will be closed</u> in observance of Thanksgiving Day. **All City parks will be open. There will be regularly scheduled garbage collection.** 





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# THANKSGIVING PET SAFETY TIPS AND ADOPTION DEALS

As the holiday approaches, we remind all pet owners to keep their dogs and cats safe.

Food that is good to us, is <u>not</u> good for them!



Keep your pet on its regular feeding schedule and feed your pet only its regular food. Do NOT give your pet any part of the turkey including bones. Bones from a turkey can splinter and cause intestinal damage. The spices used in cooking can also upset their stomach.

**Secure the garbage pail**. Table scraps, food wrappings, bones and other items can be tempting to your pet but harmful if consumed.

Keep your pet in another room during dinnertime, so guests cannot share their food.

**Do NOT give pets chocolate, alcohol or EGGNOG!** Chocolate, alcohol and eggnog is toxic and can cause multiple health problems including fatality.

Make sure your pet is wearing proper identification. Pets can easily escape through the door when guests enter your home. Reminder, all dogs and cats (indoor or outdoor) within Broward County must be registered and wear the county Rabies Registration tag on their collar.

### **A Home for the Holidays**

Give a pet the gift of a home this holiday season by adopting a dog or cat in need. Throughout the months of November and December, you can adopt a loveable dog or cat for just \$5! Includes spaying/neutering, vaccinations, rabies tag AND micro chip!

#### **Broward County Animal Care and Adoption Center**

1870 SW 39 Street, Ft. Lauderdale (by airport) | 954-359-1313 Click here for <u>Directions</u>





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### C-11 IMPOUNDMENT AREA OPEN HOUSE

Tuesday, December 1st

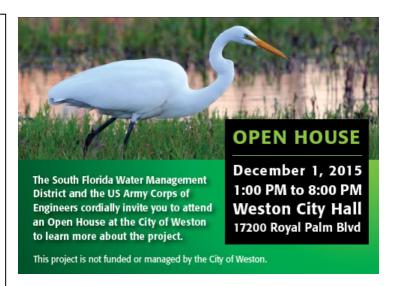
The South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) and the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) invite you to attend an informational Open House to learn about the upcoming C-11 Impoundment Project which will encompass the area shown on the map in red.

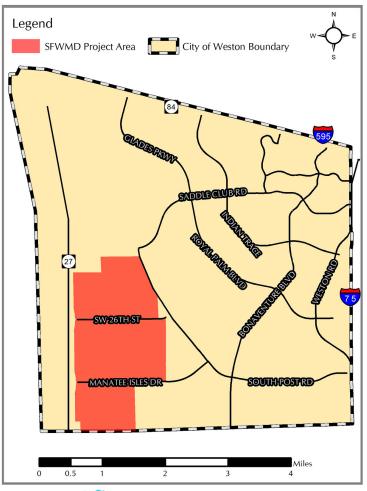
**Project Limits:** The undeveloped portions of Weston bordered by Griffin Road to the south, South Post Road to the east, Regional Park to the north, and US 27 to the west.

The C-11 Impoundment Project is a part of the *Broward County Water Preserve Areas Project* and the *Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan*.

- Retain water in the Everglades by reducing seepage out of Water Conservation Area 3
- Prevent urban runoff from entering the Everglades
- Improve local groundwater recharge to help protect drinking water supplies

Representatives from SFWMD and USACE invite you to stop by Weston City Hall on Tuesday, December 1<sup>st</sup> between 1PM - 8PM to learn more about the project.









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# HOUSING RESOURCES

The City of Weston, through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program, is providing limited assistance programs administered by Broward County.



**Down Payment Assistance** 



**Home Repair Assistance** 

# CITY OF WESTON OFFERS LIMITED HOME PURCHASE ASSISTANCE & HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM

#### **DOWN PAYMENT ASSISTANCE**

For qualified persons wishing to purchase a home within the City of Weston. The maximum amount of assistance is \$40,000 and will be determined on need. Households must have incomes less than 80% of the Area Median Income, adjusted by family size (*Income Chart*).

A buyer must first be able to obtain a first mortgage through a bank and must contribute 3% of the total costs towards the down payment, including closing costs, insurance, inspection fees, and other required fees from their own funds. There will be no interest, and as long as the borrower owns, occupies, and maintains the home for a period of 15 years, the loan will be forgiven.

#### **HOME REPAIR ASSISTANCE**

Eligible homeowners may apply for assistance with repairs to their home. The maximum amount of assistance is \$40,000 and will be determined by the actual cost of the work. Eligible households must have incomes less than 80% of the Area Median Income, adjusted by family size (*Income Chart*).

#### Repairs will be limited to:

- · Roof repair and/or replacement; complete repair/replacement of deteriorated roofing system
- · Window replacement
- Door replacement
- Insulation
- Hurricane/storm shutters

Home repair funds will be secured with a junior note and mortgage on the property. There will be no interest. As long as the borrower continues to own, occupy, and maintain the home for a period of 10 years, the loan will be forgiven. Interested persons can complete the City of Weston Home Repair Intake form.







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# BROWARD COUNTY MAIN LIBRARY SUPER SATURDAY HOLIDAY CELEBRATION

SATURDAY,
DECEMBER 12<sup>TH</sup>
BCL MAIN
100 S. ANDREWS AVE.
FT. LAUDERDALE 33301



A free celebration featuring entertainment and activities for all ages, including craft tables, storytelling, dance, music and more.

Visit Broward.org/Library

# UNITY THROUGH DIVERSITY AT BROWARD COUNTY LIBRARY

December is a busy month filled with holiday cheer, family gatherings and celebrations; however, did you know it is also <u>Global Community Month</u>? Broward County Library encourages you to think globally and act locally by celebrating our community's diversity with free events including meditation classes, dance performances and book discussions that focus on global unity.

# **Global Community Month**

Program highlights:

Drake Irish Dancers: Saturday,

Dec. 12<sup>th</sup> 2-2:30 pm,

Northwest Regional Library

Reading Roundtable: Claire of the Sea Light by Edwidge Danticat, 2-3:30 pm, North Regional/Broward County Library



### **Multicultural Holiday Celebrations**

There is also a selection of multicultural holiday celebrations at libraries throughout Broward County. Click here for the entire list. Below are a few highlights:

**Amazonia Holiday Concert**: Saturday, Dec. 12<sup>th</sup>, 3–5 pm, Weston Branch Library

**Family Night Storytime: The Polar Express Pajama Night** Wednesday, Dec. 16<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 – 7:30 pm, <u>Southwest</u> Regional Library

**Annual Holiday Ornament Workshop:** Saturday, Dec. 19<sup>th</sup>, ages 5 & over, <u>Young at Art Museum/Broward County Library</u>





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# WESTON BRANCH LIBRARY DECEMBER 2015

# **ADULT SERVICES AND PROGRAMS**

English Café
Beginners
Mondays
12/7 & 12/14
10:30 am - 12:30 pm

English Café Intermediate Mondays 12/7 & 12/14 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm English Café Advanced Wednesdays 12/2, 9 & 16 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm

Spanish Café
Beginners
Mondays
12/7 & 12/14
12:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Spanish Café Intermediate Mondays 12/7 & 12/14 10:00 am – 11:00 am Spanish Café Advanced Wednesdays 12/2, 9 & 16 12:30 pm – 1:30 pm



Citizenship Studies Tuesdays 12/1, 8 & 15 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm Portuguese Café Wednesdays 12/2, 9 & 16 10:30 am – 12:00 pm

Amazonia Holiday Concert **Saturday, 12/12** 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm Weston Library Book Club Wednesday, 12/9 6:30 – 7:30 pm The Children Act by lan McEwan Knitting and
Crocheting Club
Tuesdays 12/1, 8 & 15
3:00 pm to 5:00 pm Please
bring your own needles and
yarn.
Adults 18 and above only

Adult Chair Yoga Tuesdays & Fridays 12/8, 11, 15 & 18 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm \$3 per class



Weston Art Guild's

7<sup>th</sup> Annual Juried Art Show

On view at the Library

through December 28





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# WESTON BRANCH LIBRARY **YOUTH SERVICES PROGRAMS**

**Baby Storytime** Ages 3 - 11 months **Thursdays** 12/3 & 12/17

10:30 am - 11:00 am

Baby Yoga Ages 3 - 11 months **Thursday**, 12/10 10:30 am - 11:00 am Toddler Storytime Ages 12 - 35 months **Thursdays** 12/3 & 12/17

11:30 am - 12:00 pm

Toddler Yoga Ages 12 - 35 months **Thursday**, 12/10 11:30 am - 12:00 pm Preschool Storytime Ages 3 - 5 years old

**Thursdays** 12/3 & 12/17

12:30 pm - 1:00 pm

Preschool Yoga Ages 3 - 5 years old Thursday, 12/10 12:30 pm - 1:00 pm

#### Monday After School Programs

Youth Chess Club Ages 7 - 17 Monday, 12/7 4:30 pm - 5:30 pm

Munchkin Mondays Grades K - 5 Monday, 12/14 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Teen Scene Grades 6 – 12 Monday, 12/28 4:30 - 5:30 pm

Registration required for Monday After School Programs. Please call 954-357-5420 to register

#### Wags and Tales

Ages 5 - 12 years old

**Thursday, 12/17,** 3:00 – 4:00 pm

Children read to an Animal Assisted Therapy Dog. The intent of the program is to make reading fun and boost the child's confidence in reading aloud. Preregistration is required. Call 954-357-5420 to preregister.

For details on these programs, call the Youth Services Desk at 954-357-5430.



# 4205 Bonaventure Boulevard, Weston, FL 33332

954-357-5420

#### **Hours of Operation**

Monday – Wednesday 10 am – 8 pm Thursday – Saturday 10 am – 6 pm Closed Sunday

Visit the Weston Branch Library online.





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# HAPPENINGS... AT THE WESTON YMCA FAMILY CENTER

### **Black Friday Special**

### One Day Only: Friday, November 27th

You can join the Y with \$0 Joining Fee and receive 20% off any sports league or swim lesson and buy 10 personal training sessions and get 5 FREE. A potential savings of over \$400. Get a head start on a healthy New Year!

#### **Active Older Adults**

Programs offering wellness, recreation and social activities for seniors.

# Flag Football

### Early Registration begins November 29th

Registration is now open for the flag football league. Players practice once during the week and play games on Saturdays. Recreational and competitive levels available for all experience levels, ages 4 - 17. League starts January 9, 2016.

### **Tutoring**

Starting this month, the Weston Y will be offering small group tutoring Monday through Thursday to YMCA afterschool participants. Students will be pulled out in groups of five to work on homework and meeting their educational goals. Registration is open to all afterschool participants. Stop by the front desk today to take advantage of this awesome resource for your children!

YMCA of South Florida Weston YMCA Family Center

20201 Saddle Club Road Weston, FL 33327 www.ymcasouthflorida.org 954-424-9622





7:30 PM

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### **SUMMARY OF EVENTS AND PROGRAMS**

#### **CITY EVENTS**

Westonfl.org/Events



# CITY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES CLOSED FOR THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY

Wednesday, Nov. 25<sup>th</sup> – Offices close at 3PM Thursday, Nov. 26<sup>th</sup> – Offices closed; Parks close at 6PM Friday, Nov. 27<sup>th</sup> – Offices closed; Parks are open

There is regular garbage collection service on all days.



### FREE MOONLIGHT MOVIE IN THE PARK

Featuring TOMORROWLAND

Saturday, December 5<sup>th</sup>

Event Stage inside Weston Regional Park

20200 Saddle Club Road

A jaded scientist and an optimistic teen embark on a danger-filled mission to unearth the secrets of an enigmatic place somewhere in time and space.

Action, Family/ 130 min. / Rated PG

Bring lawn chairs or blankets and enjoy an outdoor movie on us!



#### CITY COMMISSION MEETING

Monday, December 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM
Weston City Hall, 17200 Royal Palm Boulevard
A regular meeting of the Weston City Commission.



# Newsday Tuesday...

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9:00 AM



# 18th Annual Run For Tomorrow Half Marathon & 5K Run

Sunday, December 13, 2015 Race time: 6:20AM

**New location:** Cypress Bay High School

18600 Vista Park Blvd.

New dri-fit shirts and beautiful die-cast medals!

Click to Register



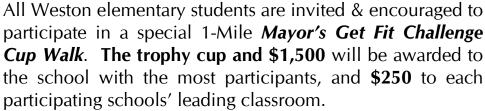
# MAYOR'S GET FIT CHALLENGE CUP WALK **Weston Elementary Students**

Sunday, December 13th

**New location:** Cypress Bay High School

18600 Vista Park Blvd.







Click here and Register Today! Forms are also available at your school and the Weston website Westonfl.org



#### MAYOR'S GET FIT FEST – FREE event

Sunday, December 13th 9:00 AM - 1:00PM

**New location:** Cypress Bay High School

18600 Vista Park Blvd.

Visit dozens of fitness, health and wellness providers that offer information, giveaways, games, wellness checks, fitness demonstrations, entertainment and more. Children's area to include bounce houses and rock climbing wall.

Special Guest and run participant Edward Lychik will speak about the importance of having a vision and share his story of overcoming incredible tragedy. Mr. Lychik is a combat-wounded veteran, a hipamputee who has completed four marathons using a running prosthetic he helped to develop. He will run in the 5K.



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#### **HOLIDAY GIFT IDEA**

# TICKETS FOR SYMPHONY OF THE AMERICAS CONCERT Opera to Broadway III

Tickets on sale at the Weston Community Center for the Saturday, February 6, 2016 concert event in Weston at the Cypress Bay Theater. A perfect gift! Advance tickets just \$20

For more information or ticket purchase, please call 954-389-4321.



#### **HOLIDAY SCHEDULE**

Thursday, December 24<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Eve Offices close at 12:00 PM City Parks close at 6:00 PM Regular garbage collection

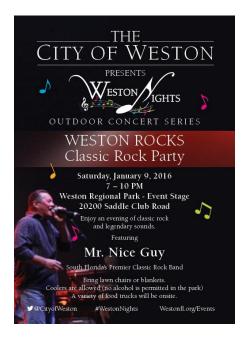
Friday, December 25<sup>th</sup> - Christmas Day Offices closed. Parks close at 6:00 PM There is NO garbage collection service; collection will occur on your next regularly scheduled pickup day.

Thursday, December 31<sup>st</sup> – New Year's Eve Offices close at 12:00 PM City Parks close at 6:00 PM Regular garbage collection

Friday, January 1, 2016 - New Year's Day Offices closed. Parks close at 6:00 PM Regular garbage collection



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WestonNights
CONCERT IN THE
PARK
WESTON ROCKS –
A Classic Rock Party



Saturday, January 9, 2016 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM Event Stage at Weston Regional Park 20200 Saddle Club Road

Rock in the New Year! Enjoy an evening of classic rock and legendary sounds. South Florida's Premier Classic Rock band, Mr. Nice Guy will be onstage in the Weston Regional Park for a perfect #WestonNights date night or family fun night. FOOD TRUCKS on site.

#### **ONGOING CITY PROGRAMS**

#### **BSO WESTON POLICE SERVICES**

More information on programs listed below: Call 954-389-2010 or visit www.westonfl.org/Departments/Police/PoliceHome.aspx.





# SAFE SELLING TRANSACTION ZONE A LOCATION FOR ONLINE BUYERS/SELLERS

BSO's Weston district office's parking lot serves as a safe haven for the City's online buyers and sellers to meet at 17300 Royal Palm Boulevard.

Download a flyer here: Safe Transaction Zone





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#### **BSO WESTON FIRE RESCUE DEPARTMENT**

More information on programs listed below: Call 954-389-2015 or visit <a href="www.westonfl.org/Departments/FireEMS/FireEMSHome.aspx">www.westonfl.org/Departments/FireEMS/FireEMSHome.aspx</a>.





#### **FREE EMS GO PACKETS**

These packets hold medical information and legal documents for EMS and hospital personnel can be aware of your medical conditions.



#### FREE CPR CLASSES

FREE CPR classes for residents, organizations and businesses. Classes are offered at Weston Fire Station No. 81. Classes are also offered at your own location with a minimum of 8 persons.



#### SMOKE ALARM AND BATTERY REPLACEMENT

This free service is designed to reach people who are unable to safely install smoke alarms and/or replace the batteries in existing alarms.

#### WESTON COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

More information on the programs below, call 954-385-2000.





#### **REGISTER FOR CODERED**

All residents and businesses should register with the City's **CodeRED Emergency Notification System**.

To register, please visit:

www.westonfl.org/Residents/Hurricane/CodeRed.aspx.





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# WESTON DELIVERS THE LATEST NEWS DIRECTLY TO YOUR INBOX

- \* Newsday Tuesday: A collection of weekly city news articles, information and events.
- \* General Notifications: Updates on projects; media releases; sports registrations, events and more.

**Subscribe at:** 

http://www.westonfl.org/Events/EmailSubscriptions.aspx



# WESTON GOVERNMENT INFORMATION CHANNEL

The Weston government access channel can be found on these channels with local cable television providers:

Advanced Communications - Channel #25

Comcast Cable - Channel #78

AT&T U-verse – Channel #99, scroll to Weston Government TV



#### **WESTON GOVERNMENT RADIO 1680AM**

Information on City events, programs, services and more. In the event of an emergency, all broadcasts will be interrupted and emergency notifications will be provided. This AM channel can be accessed in your car while in and around the City of Weston. Tune in today.